

but a portion dissented, and formed the original Burghers' Associate Synod. In 1843 the Establishment was again divided by the secession which formed the Free Church. Thus there are now seven distinct bodies, each having its own prosbyteries and synods, viz :—the Established Church, the United Synod, the Associate Synod of Original Seceders, the Original Burgher's Associate Synod, the Free Church, and the Old Reformed Presbyterians.

WORLD-WORSHIP.

The object to which a man bows down and worships, leaves its own impress stamped upon his soul; and as the years roll on he must inevitably, by the very law of his being, become more and still more like the God he adores. If a man give himself up entirely to the pursuit of wealth, pleasure, or any one of the fashions of this world they each in turn become his God, and at the shrine of each he bows down and pays his homage. Day by day he finds some one or all of these objects become increasingly necessary to his happiness—and even to his existence; and spurred on, as by an unseen power, he plunges forward in hot pursuit of his object, until death, that solemn sentry, bids him stand! They who saw him in life knew that "God was not in all his thoughts." He was not to be found among those who "went about doing good." The noble and god-like enterprises of the day—though they loudly demanded—did not obtain his aid and co-operation. He was *of* the world, and to *it* he gave all he *had* and all he *was*. Thus do all those who love not our Lord JESUS CHRIST.

A WORD ABOUT SOME OF THE CHURCHES.

From brother Overholt we have intelligence to the effect that the brethren in Rainham "still keep up their weekly meetings" for the purpose of keeping the 'ordinances of the Lord's house.' The friends of reformation in that locality have need of a large share of prudence, zeal, patience, and perseverance. With much confidence we look to brethren Holmes, Overholt, and Yager to "take heed to themselves" in teaching, watching, counselling, and praying for the upbuilding and welfare of all.

The congregation at Wainfleet, is, from last accounts, on the whole, prosperous. Trials, severe and grievous, have been felt in Wainfleet.